

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
25 N BROADWAY  
PERU, IN 46970  
APRIL 6, 2015

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order. All Commissioners are present.

**PERU AGLOW**

Tammy Acree, Peru Aglow, asked for permission to hold a National Day of Prayer ceremony on the west side of the Courthouse at noon on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**MINUTES**

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the minutes from 3-16-15. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**PAYROLL**

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the payroll. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**CLAIMS**

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the claims. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

Angie Bever, Community Corrections Director, asked for permission to pay her 2 part time employees (1 field officer and 1 secretary, who have been with her a long time), the \$13.50 hourly wage. Mrs. Bever thought when they changed some part time wages last year at budget hearings, that it applied to all part time, however the Commissioners stated that it only applied to the full time positions that was changed to part time as part of the budget cuts. The Commissioners stated she would have to ask the Council as it would have to be changed in the budget and salary ordinances and the Council is the only board that can do that. However it does affect the Commissioners budget as far as the County's portion of taxes, social security and such.

Mrs. Bever asked about the time clocks as well. The one that is used by Community Corrections is still not working. The Auditor will check with Time Force to see when they will be correcting the issue.

**HIGHWAY BIDS**

Commissioner West made a motion to accept the bids from E&B Paving, Gaunt & Son Asphalt and Phend & Brown, Inc. for hot asphalt concrete. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to accept the bid from Asphalt Materials for dust control. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to accept the bid from Pierceton Trucking for hauling oil. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to accept the bid from Marathon Petroleum for Chip and Seal. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**INTRASECT**

Jim Denniston informed the Commissioners that they have looked at the phone system at the Highway and found it was an old system from the jail (15 years old at the time) and the Highway has had it another 5 years, so the system is 20+ years old. They recommend replacing the system, which will cost \$13,653.87. Commissioner Francis asked the Highway if they had the money for the phone system. Janice Clemons, Bookkeeper, stated that they do have the money but will need to request an additional appropriation. Commissioner West made a motion to allow the Highway to request and additional

appropriation to have their phone system replaced. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Mr. Denniston also informed the Board and the Auditor that when the MVP Tax server was replaced, there was a data server (Pro Val) that was missed and therefore not moved. Intrasect recommend that Thomson-Rueter (MVP Tax) do what they need to do to correct the situation (will have to pay for) because there are things associated with the moving of that data that Thomson-Rueter will have to address.

The renewal on the phone system at the jail is due to expire. If the agreement is not renewed, the phone bill will increase dramatically. Commissioner West made a motion to renew the agreement. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### PERRY PRO TECH

Robert Bucher, Perry Corp, requested notification when the County is asking for bids on copiers. Perry Corp had the contract for copiers, at one time and would like the opportunity to bid for it again. Commissioner Francis stated that Intrasect would be gathering information and asking for bids and informed Mr. Bucher that he could contact Tom Polk or Jim Denniston, Intrasect, for information to bid.

Mr. Bucher asked Commissioner Francis if they would like some help to come up with specs for the bid process. Commissioner Francis stated they would prefer not to so no one can say the design of the specs were in favor a certain vendor.

Mr. Bucher informed the Board that they do phone and security systems as well. They have 3 police officers on staff to assist in the security.

#### DLZ

Commissioner West made a motion to sign the LPA Sub-consultant Acknowledgment (McCullough Archaeological Services, sub-consultant for DLZ) (Bridge 159). Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to approve and sign the voucher for DLZ. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### COUNTY ATTORNEY

Pat Roberts informed the Board that he has a meeting with Will Siders regarding the Becker Mock Insurance Building that the Commissioners have signed paperwork to purchase. Mr. Roberts informed the Board that they might have to get two realtors to appraise the building according to I.C. 25.

Commissioner West asked Mr. Roberts if the County had a policy that prohibited one department from charging another department, would it enforceable. Mr. Roberts asked for an example. Commissioner West stated that the Recorder used to provide a feed of her software to the Assessor and Auditor, which the Assessor and the Auditor paid for, however the Recorder removed those feeds and now the Assessor and Auditor have to go to the Miami County Website and get the feed like anyone on the outside would. They also have to pay the same amount for the feed as someone on the outside would, which includes a fee that goes to the Recorder. Commissioner West does not feel that it is right for one elected official to make money off of other departments for County owned property. Mr. Roberts left to talk with the Recorder.

#### ASSESSOR

Sara McAuliffe, Assessor, informed the Board that fly-overs need done again and the company that has done it for the State has offered to do it for the County at the same rate charged to the State. Mrs. McAuliffe stated that none of the money would come from County General. The City of Peru has agreed to pay \$4,500 of the \$17,010 and 9-1-1 has agreed to pay \$1,000. The Surveyor (Surveyor perpetuation), the Auditor (Plat Book) and Reassessment will pay the balance. Commissioner West made a motion to approve. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

This will update the GIS system (39 Degrees). There will two fly-overs on the system and the previous ones will be stored at Indiana University (Indiana Geological Survey).

Mrs. McAuliffe informed the Board that Pro Val is not working correctly and Thomson-Reuter can move the missing data back. The Assessor will pay for it out of Reassessment. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### YMCA RURAL TRANSIT

Kathy Brehmer brought in the quarterly report and the reimbursement voucher, (\$68,717) for approval and a signature by the Commissioners. Commissioner West made a motion to approve and sign the voucher. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### MIAMI COUNTY TOURISM

The Commissioners received a request to re-appoint Ellen Mock to the Tourism Board. Commissioner West made a motion to re-appoint Ellen Mock to the Miami County Tourism Board. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### WIC BANNER

The Board received a request to place a banner for the WIC program in the rotunda. Commissioner West made a motion to approve placing the banner in the rotunda. Commissioner Francis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 2-0. (Commissioner Hamman was out of the room).

#### INSURANCE

Mary Brown, Chief Deputy Auditor, informed the Board that, while working with the new insurance company, she has learned about exclusions in our current health policy and exclusions listed in the new policy that need to be brought to their attention. In our current policy, extreme sports and trapeze (this is a circus community) are some of the items not covered. The new policy includes these items as well as racing of any kind. After some discussion, Commissioner West made a motion to have ATV recreational use covered in the policy. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

APEX requested the Commissioners sign a letter of Agent of Record for the Dental, Life Insurance and Clinic policies. Dental and Life policies were just renewed by the current broker, and if the Agent of Record is signed, APEX would get the commission, instead of the agent who did the work. Therefore, those should not switch until the next renewal. The clinic is a part of the school consortium and therefore there is no agent of record. Commissioner West made a motion to sign a letter of Agent of Record for the 4D Pharmacy only. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Ms. Brown explained, that by law, the employees need to be notified 60 days prior to a material change in the policy and even though it has been requested several times, APEX has not formally notified, in writing, to the employees, a notification of the plan change. In addition, APEX has not notified the County in writing what the premiums, the deductible or what the health plan will be for the County. Commissioner Francis stated that the Commissioners have stated that everything will be the same. The Auditor stated that she felt that was not a true statement because APEX has already stated that the Lab Corp benefit will not be available when they take over. The Auditor requested that the Board of Commissioners put in writing that all premiums and deductibles will remain exactly as it is now for the employees before she can pass out the applications. Commissioner West said it is on record in previous Commissioner Minutes. The Auditor stated that the previous Minutes state there would be no changes, however the loss of the Lab Corp reflects otherwise.

APEX has set April 14 & 15 as the days they can be here for employee informational meetings.

#### CLERK

Tawna Leffel-Sands, Clerk, informed the Board that she has an employee that is on medical leave. Mrs. Sands asked the Board where they are with moving her employees

to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. She is falling behind in getting everything that is required of her done. She is absolutely going to need more part time help and at least one of her full time people back. The Commissioners asked her about using the floats. Mrs. Sands stated that with it being tax time the floats will be in the Treasurer office. Commissioner Francis stated that “what has happened in the past and we have all seen it, is the floats go in there and work the counter, take all the payments and collect everything while the other employees in the office just go about their normal business. Mrs. Sands has money in her perpetuation fund that she asked advertised for appropriation, to help with her additional part time help. She also informed the Board that Pat Roberts had told her he will be filing over 700 small claims cases and she is in need of restoring a full time position as well as additional part time help.

#### EMA

Kris Marks brought a hard copy of the County Plan for the Board and will have Intrasect put on the County website for people to view. David Makin asked if he could put it on the Peru Miami News page and Mr. Marks said he didn’t mind him putting a link on his page to it but he would like to keep the document on the actual County website.

#### COUNTY ENGINEER

Ken Einselen informed the Commissioners that the generator maintenance agreement expired December 31, 2014. The company that had the agreement went out of business on December 31, 2014 and did not inform any of their clients of the closing. Mr. Einselen will get estimates/proposals from other companies and bring back for consideration.

#### DNR

The Board received notification that a landowner in Richland Township donated ½ acre of land to the DNR.

#### KEYS/BADGES

The Commissioners received the following request:

##### CLERKS OFFICE

- 1<sup>st</sup> deputy Tammy Geiselman- receive key to office door and key card badge. Motion made by Commissioner West to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.
- Badge made for Toni Hoover. Motion to allow made by Commissioner West. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hamman and it passed 3-0.

##### TREASURER’S OFFICE

- Office key and badge key for new 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### CONVERSE-JACKSON LIBRARY APPOINTMENT

The Board received a request from the Converse-Jackson Library to appoint Jody Curtis to the Library board. Commissioner West made a motion to appoint Jody Curtis to the Converse-Jackson Library Board. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### TRASH

Will Siders contacted Commissioner Hamman to see if the county highway would be able to pick up bags of trash placed at the side of the County roads as the State Highway picks up the bags of trash at the side of State Highways. There is an excessive amount of trash in the ditches along 450 N and he asked they bag the trash place it at the side of the road, would it be possible for the highway department pick it up. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### SHERIFF’S NEW HEALTH CONTRACT

Commissioner West made a motion to sign the new health contract for the jail, pending approval of the contract by the County Attorney. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### Adjourned

**MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Chairman**  
**Joshua Francis**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Vice Chairman**  
**Larry West**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Member**  
**Jerry Hamman**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_, **Auditor**  
**Jane Lilley**